

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 and 11-15 remain pending in this application.

Rejection of claims 1, 2, 12 and 15 under 35 USC 102(e)

Claims 1, 2, 12 and 15 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Barr. Claim 10 has been indicated as allowable. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 10 and is thus now allowable. Claim 10 has been canceled. Claims 2, 12 and 15 are dependent on claim 1 and thus are also allowable. In view of the amendment to claim 1, the cancellation of claim 10 and the dependence of claims 2, 12 and 15 on claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Rejection of claims 3-6 under 35 USC 103(a)

Claims 3-6 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Barr in view of Glass, Jr. Claim 10 has been indicated as allowable. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 10 and thus is also allowable. Claim 10 has been canceled. Claims 3-6 are dependent on claim 1 and thus are likewise allowable. In view of the amendment to claim 1, the cancellation of claim 10 and the dependence of claims 3-6 on claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Rejection of claims 7-9 under 35 USC 103(a)

Claims 7-9 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Barr. Claim 10 has been indicated as allowable. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 10 and thus is also allowable. Claim 10 has been canceled. Claims 7-9 are dependent on claim 1 and thus are likewise allowable. In view of the amendment to claim 1, the

cancellation of claim 10 and the dependence of claims 7-9 on claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Rejection of claims 13 and 14 under 35 USC 103(a)

Claims 13 and 14 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Barr in view of Mullisen et al. Claim 10 has been indicated as allowable. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 10 and thus is also allowable. Claim 10 has been canceled. Claims 13 and 14 are dependent on claim 1 and thus are likewise allowable. In view of the amendment to claim 1, the cancellation of claim 10 and the dependence of claims 13 and 14 on claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

In view of the amendment to claim 1 and the cancellation of claim 10 and the dependence of claims 2-9 and 12-15 on claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that the rejections made in this Office Action have been satisfied and should be withdrawn. As all claims now pending are allowable, it is respectfully requested that this application now be allowed to issue.

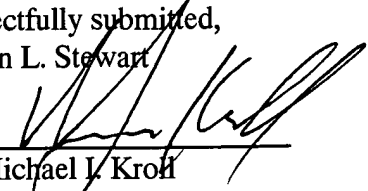
Should the Examiner consider necessary or desirable any formal changes anywhere in the specification, claims and/or drawings, then it is respectfully asked that such changes be made by Examiner's amendment, if the Examiner feels this would facilitate passage of the case to issuance.

Alternatively, should the Examiner have any questions, comments, or feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance and issuance, he is cordially invited to contact Mr. Michael Kroll, Esq. at 171 Stillwell Lane, Syosset, New York 11791, telephone number (516) 367-7777, so that the present application can receive an early notice of allowance. The address and telephone number for Michael I. Kroll stated above

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